Amendment under 37 CFR 1.116 - Expedited Procedure Examining Group 3763

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 0090/004001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Noboru NAKASHIMA

Art Unit: 3763

Application No.: 10/084,491

Examiner: Ghafoorian, R.

Filed : February 28, 2002

Title : SAFETY INDWELLING SYRINGE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME CONTROL In response to the Office Action dated June 2, 2003, applicant hereby submits the enclosed papers including an Amendment under 37 CFR 1.116.

Applicant now hereby claims Small Entity Status.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.136(a), applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time for one (1) month to October 2, $\frac{09/25/2003}{2003},$ for filling a response to the Office Action dated June 2, 110.00 DA 2003, in connection with the above-identified application.

No extension of time has been previously obtained for filing the response. Thus a fee of \$55.00 for an extension of one month pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.136(a) is required.

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The required fees are calculated below:

Total Claims 10 - 20 = 0 \$0.00 Independent 2 - 3 = 0 \$0.00

One Month's Extension of Time Fee \$55.00

TOTAL FEE DUE: \$55.00

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE THIS FEE AND ANY OTHER FEES WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 19-2586, REFERENCING ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 0090/004001. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS PAPER IS ENCLOSED. THIS IS A GENERAL AUTHORIZATION EXCLUDING ONLY PAYMENT OF THE ISSUE FEE.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: September 23, 2003

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